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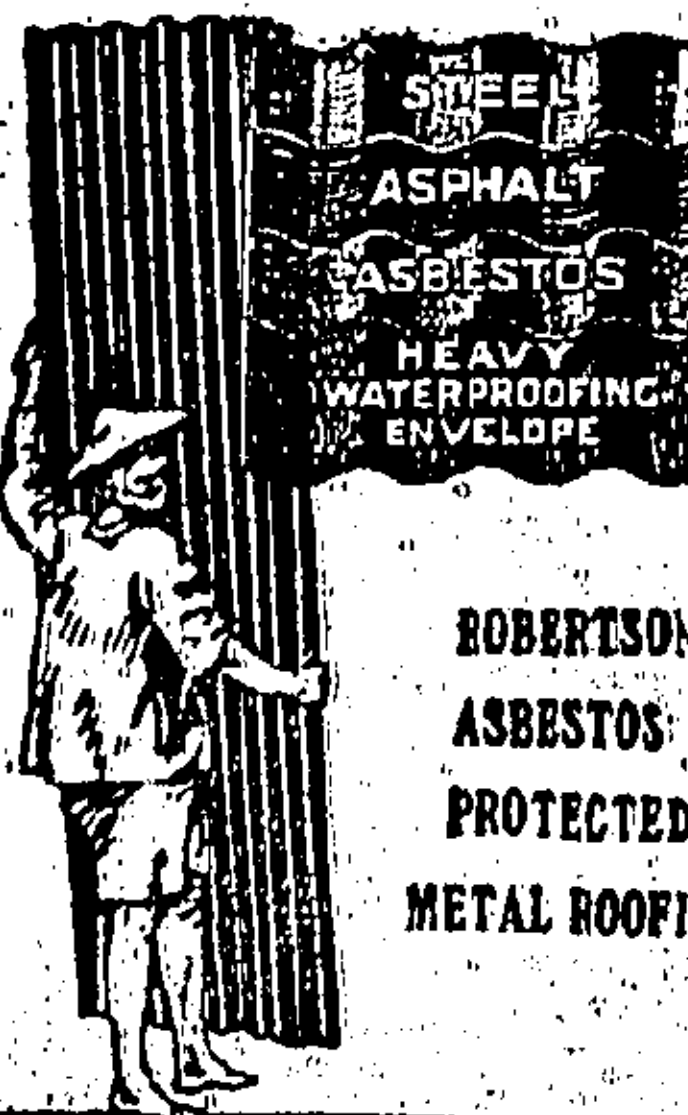
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## DOCK MEETING.

CHAIRMAN REPLIES TO CRITICISM.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED.

Mr. Kelly Sayce On "Unsound Policy."

It was stated at the course of this morning's meeting of the Hongkong Wharfedale Dock Company that a committee of shareholders had been appointed to enquire into the working of the Company. The policy of the directors in spending \$5,500,000 when times were admittedly depressed was questioned at the meeting by Mr. Kelly Sayce.

Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, president, supported by Messrs. H. P. White, T. G. Weall, Allan Cameron and Sir Robert Ho Tung (directors), Mr. R. M. Dyer, B.Sc., M.I.N.A. (Chief Manager), Mr. E. L. Hosie, C.A. (Secretary), and the following shareholders: Messrs. Ho Leung, Kelly Sayce, J. M. Alves, N. V. Croucher, Li Tse-fong, Chiu Yue-teng, R. E. Desai, I. S. Perry, G. W. Sewell, A. O. Lang, E. Abraham, C. A. de Roza, E. M. Raymond, and P. M. N. de Silva.

Chairman's Speech.

The Chairman said: The report and accounts having been in your possession for the past ten days, I will with your permission follow the usual procedure and take them as read.

The Shipbuilding Industry all over the world has, as you are all aware, been passing through a very depressed period and only a minimum of orders for new ships have been placed. Here we have had to contend with this world-wide situation and also with the strike of labour last year which lasted for several months and the boycott which is still with us. The effects of these last two circumstances have hit this Company harder perhaps than any other entirely local Company.

We started the year fairly well and had three new vessels under construction. With a small profit for the first six months working we were looking forward to a moderately successful year when the troubles to which I have referred began.

A working nucleus of our Chinese Artisans to whom we are very grateful stayed with us and I venture to think that it was in a measure due to the loyalty of these men in sticking to their work in spite of intimidation that the labour troubles of this Colony both industrial and domestic were overcome. Unfortunately, however, a great number of our essential men absented themselves.

The result of these labour troubles was to drive repair work away from this port, and to delay and thus very considerably increase the cost of any new construction we had in hand. This new work though it has not been profitable we were fortunate in having as it kept the nucleus I have referred to employed during the months in which there was little else for them to do, and let the outside world know that we were still alive and a going concern.

Proposed New Dock.

With reference to the construction of the proposed 1,200 ft. dry dock to which my predecessor in the chair referred last year, some of you will doubtless wish to know how the matter now stands. The new pump house fitted with electrically driven pumps which is common to our present No. 1 Dock and the proposed dock is now complete and has been in action since the end of September with a considerable resultant economy in coal consumption.

Your Directors do not propose to proceed further with the scheme for the big dock at the present time but it is a matter that will have to come up again for consideration sometime in the future. When I tell you that during the last three months at least 8 ships have visited the port too large for us to accommodate, you will realise that the increasing number of these large vessels calling at Hongkong will eventually necessitate our making arrangements that will enable us to dock them.

It has been suggested that our No. 1 dock, 700 feet long, could be enlarged, but for various reasons we do not consider that this would be a sound or practical proposition. This dock is of very great importance to us and was not vacant for a single day in

January last. During that month it cared for nine large ships of a gross tonnage of 88,655 tons.

Shareholders' Feeling.

There has been a feeling amongst a number of Shareholders that the Company's business could be run more economically and this culminated a few months ago in a letter addressed to the Directors signed by Shareholders representing a large proportion of shares asking for the appointment of a Committee of Shareholders to inquire into the working of the Company. The Directors welcomed the proposal and gladly responded to the request. A Committee of four Shareholders was appointed and has commenced its investigation. When their report is received the Directors will give any recommendations they make the fullest consideration and I hope this may be the means of producing more efficiency in working and economy in operation.

I may say, however, that this problem of efficiency and economy is one that is constantly engaging the attention of our Chief Manager and the Directors. Some of you may remember that our Chief Manager, Mr. Dyer, came out here originally nearly 20 years ago for the purpose of investigating the work of the Company which was then in a moribund condition. Being appointed Chief Manager he set to work and by his foresight, energy and wholehearted devotion to the Company he has steadily built up the organization until we are now assured by the best authorities that our shipbuilding can compare favourably for quality and workmanship with that produced by any other countries.

I mention this as I trust that Shareholders will not merely because of a temporary set back to our progress, desire to curtail, and I am sure they will not, the activities of the Company in such a way as to react against it when things improve. The improvements made in the Company's buildings and plant during the past few years have reduced maintenance, and the cost of consumable stores in working expenses down to about a minimum, and the only problem we have to face in very dull times is that of our staff, both European and Chinese.

Staff Problems.

It is, however, absolutely necessary for effective supervision that there is an adequate European staff. I state this because it has been suggested that now things are slack the staff could be cut down. In this connection I may say that although we have always carried on with a minimum of European staff compatible with efficiency, no less than sixteen members of the staff have left us during the past twelve months and have not been replaced. Moreover eight more are shortly going home on leave after 5 or 6 years in the Colony. This depletion would leave us dangerously understaffed when conditions become normal and as business improves it will be necessary to add to our staff. It has been indicated to us by some of our most valued clients that when there was a rush of work we were short-handed and that their work did not receive sufficient supervision, this, Gentlemen, is a most undesirable state of affairs as we can only retain our clients and add to them by ensuring that they will be satisfied that the work entrusted to our care will receive adequate European supervision.

You will recollect that last year Shareholders authorised an increase of capital but unfortunately when the shares were offered the strike and boycott commenced and money became so tight that although the date for receiving applications for the new shares was postponed the response was poor and the Directors decided to cancel the offer. Only 7,540 shares were applied for and issued. When conditions become normal it will be necessary for the Directors

## STOLEN GOODS.

UNCLE'S CLOTHING FOUND IN PAWNSHOPS.

MAGISTRATE'S WARNING.

"You pawnbrokers take stolen goods and get worse than thieves," said Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning in issuing a warning to the masters of the Wing Cheong and Shan Lee shops when evidence was given to show that they had accepted at less than ten per cent. of the value certain silk goods stolen by a boy from his uncle, a master tailor of No. 211, Queen's Road West. Order was made for the goods to be surrendered without payment of the amounts for which they had been pledged.

On the charge of theft of the goods, the boy was sentenced to receive eight strokes of the birch. The uncle agreed to take the boy back.

To make a fresh offer of shares on terms to be settled by them in due course. Shareholders may rest assured that the new shares will be offered to them in proportion to their holding of shares whether of the old ones or those issued last Summer which will rank equally with the former.

The Accounts.

Turning to the accounts you will notice that no allowance has been made for depreciation. This is considered necessary in view of the large amounts that have been provided in previous years.

Our stocks of materials stand in our books not above cost price and in no case above the market value. Our plant and buildings are in excellent order and the cost of upkeep has been kept down to a minimum.

Our reserve fund you will notice, after withdrawing \$500,000 to cover the loss in 1925, stands at \$3,500,000.

The premium of \$10 per share on 7,540 issued less expenses of issue, amounting in all to \$72,661.70 has been put to reserve.

You will notice from the Balance Sheet that the Debentures have been paid off. This was done when they became due on December 31 and the Bank kindly allowed us to overdraw on our current account in order to do this.

Your Directors regret that owing to the large loss of \$408,259.03 they are unable to recommend the payment of any dividend. You will notice from the Profit and Loss Account that the Balance of Working Account only showed a loss of \$132,597, the difference between that and \$468,259.03 being made up of Interest, Rates, Insurance, etc.

I may add that the full effect of the labour troubles and boycott were felt during the months July-November. Business was improving towards the end of that period and December proved to be quite a fair month.

As regards the future I hardly care to commit myself except to say that as the shipbuilding industry has been having a bad time for some years it is only reasonable to anticipate that before long there will be a turn of the tide, and even when we have little new construction in hand we are usually kept fairly busy in repair work.

I do not think there is anything further that calls for comment and I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts and after this has been seconded, I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions which Shareholders may wish to ask.

Shareholder's Letter.

Mr. L. Tse-fong, seconded and Mr. Kelly Sayce had risen to speak when Mr. Bernard said: On Saturday morning, after the speech which I have just read, out had been written, a letter was received from a shareholder containing a list of 15 questions which he proposed to ask at this meeting and I wish to thank him for his courtesy in sending in the list of questions beforehand.

This shareholder was one of those who were responsible for the appointment of the Committee of Shareholders to which I have already referred, and it seems to me that these questions should have been placed in the hands of this Committee with the request that the points raised should have its attention.

## QUEER TENANTS.

CONDUCT COMPLAINED OF BY LADY.

SUMMARY COURT CASE.

Mrs. Emily Dunn claimed \$118 (a month's rent and incidentals) from Mr. J. Ollerton in the Summary Court this morning.

Plaintiff's case was that having rooms to spare at a house occupied by her in Seymour Road and, being hit by the prevailing conditions, she arranged with the defendant to take in from February 1. He was to pay \$100 a month, this to include use of the furniture but not gas or electric light or service.

Giving evidence, Mrs. Dunn said that she made a concession and let Mr. Ollerton have the services of the servants for a day or so until he got his own boy. When the latter arrived, however, he only remained one day and Mr. Ollerton still rang for the servants who threatened to leave.

Mr. Ollerton went away for Macao without saying anything on one occasion and when she did not see him for some days at a later occasion she did not think it was for her to say anything. She eventually saw Mr. Ollerton in the street on February 26, and he told her he had gone to the Y.M.C.A. Cross-examined by Mr. A. J. O'Donoghue (for the defendant), Mrs. Dunn denied that it was by mutual arrangement that defendant had left.

With regard to other tenants Mr. Ollerton had introduced with a view to their continuing his tenancy. Mrs. Dunn said that a married couple Mr. Ollerton had introduced arrived in a state of destitution and although their tenancy was not to have commenced until March 1, she took them out of pity on February 26. They told her that otherwise they would have to spend the night in the street.

A "Terrible Sight."

The conduct of the man whom Mr. Ollerton had introduced was referred to by witness. He had helped himself to a bottle of rum and "it wasn't half an hour before the whole bottle was down his throat." It was a "terrible sight," said the witness. Witness added that she complained to Mr. Ollerton of the tenants but he had sent and his reply was that she had accepted them and his responsibility was at an end.

Witness agreed that she might have forfeited her claim to a month's notice but asked what about the time he (Mr. Ollerton) was in occupation. His reply was that he would have to consider it later. Although witness had spoken to Mr. Ollerton over the phone about it he had done nothing in the matter.

Cross-examined by Mr. O'Donoghue, witness admitted that she had accepted the tenants but they had only slept in the house in February because of their pitiable plight. She did not consider that by an act of kindness like that she had forfeited her right to claim on Mr. Ollerton for his term of occupation.

Mr. Ollerton gave evidence, stating that he understood that Mrs. Dunn had another tenant in view and that he left on February 10 with mutual acquiescence. He had introduced several people with a view to their taking over the flat, but it had not suited them. He knew nothing about the tenant he had introduced and as to whose condition the plaintiff had spoken, he had met him in the ordinary course of business. Judgment was given for plaintiff with costs.

Mr. Andrews was for plaintiff.

FANLING HUNT.

On Friday, April 2, hounds will meet at Mr. Potts's Bungalow at 10.45 a.m. There will be no other meet this week owing to the Races at Happy Valley on Saturday and at Fanling on Monday.

A perambulator, valued at \$20, belonging to Mrs. Jordan, of No. 3, Armand Buildings, is reported to have been stolen on Saturday from the porch of the house.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 7/3 7/16.

## MOTOR ACCIDENTS.

INJURED WOMAN'S LEG AMPUTATED.

POLICE COURT CASES.

Arising out of a motor lorry accident at Praya East in which a Chinese woman was badly injured, a learner-driver had a charge against him before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Accused was remanded until April 6 when it was stated by Sergeant Roberts that one of the woman's legs has had to be amputated and she was reported to be progressing satisfactorily.

The licensed driver of the lorry was fined \$50 for allowing the learner to drive the vehicle. A similar fine was imposed for inefficient brakes.

Riesha Smash.

A collision between a motor car and a riesha had a sequel in Major C. Wilson's court when the owner of the car, K. C. Yue, was charged with failing to report the accident, failing to stop, and having defective brakes.

Before taking evidence, Mr. L. D. Turner, for the defence, agreed to pay \$50 as compensation for the damage done to the riesha, which was suggested by the Magistrate, but he mentioned that the offer was made without prejudice to his case. In evidence the accused described his movements on the night of the accident and said that to the best of his knowledge the car was in the garage at the time.

The first two charges were dismissed and a fine of \$5 was imposed for defective brakes.

Mr. J. M. d'Almeida Remedios watched proceedings on behalf of a Chinese passenger in the riesha who claimed to have lost \$430 when the vehicle overturned.

## A BAD SIGN.

COMMUNISTS WIN FRENCH BY-ELECTIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, March 28.

Two Communists have been returned to Parliament in a by-election in the second sector of Paris.

The Radical-Socialist Executive urged its candidates to withdraw in favour of the Communists.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The cablegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate-General from the Manila Observatory at 10 a.m. to-day:—  
Cyclone or typhoon west of Balintang Channel, moving north-east or east-north-east.

Captain R. D. Williams, of the R. F. A. "Ruthenia" has reported to the police the theft of three pulley blocks (value \$120) from the vessel on Friday.

Saturday night raids by the police on gambling schools at Wan-chai brought 23 Chinese men and women before the Magistrate this morning when fines of \$4 were imposed. The absentees, nine Chinese and one Francis Roza, had their ball of \$5 estreated.

"You are a despicable woman," said Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning in imposing a sentence of six weeks' imprisonment on a young Chinese woman, who with another man had assaulted an aged couple in a dispute regarding rent. The man, who was referred to before as a "scoundrel," was fined \$20, or two weeks.

The Dean of Chester is responsible for the following story, which illustrates the advantages of compression in speech: A little friend of his had been asked to tell the story of Elijah, and he replied: "Elijah had a beard and the children mocked him and he said, 'If you mock me I will set my feet on fire and I will set you up and take the life' and he did and I did."

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"DEVANRA"	5,156	13th April	Singapore, Penang, Ceylon & Bombay
"KALYAN"	5,144	16th April	Mylae, Vico, Genoa, Antwerp & Hull
"MADEIRA"	5,144	19th April	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,006	22nd April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	25th April	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	28th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	1st May	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	4th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	7th May	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	10th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	13th May	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	16th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	19th May	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	22nd May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	25th May	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	28th May	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	31st May	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	3rd June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	6th June	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	9th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	12th June	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	15th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	18th June	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	21st June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	24th June	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	27th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	30th June	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	3rd July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	6th July	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	9th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	12th July	Marseilles & London
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"KASHGAR"	5,144	21st July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	24th July	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	27th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	30th July	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	2nd Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	5th Aug.	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	8th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	11th Aug.	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	14th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	17th Aug.	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	20th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	23rd Aug.	Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	26th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MADEIRA"	5,144	29th Aug.	Marseilles & London
"KASHGAR"	5,144	31st Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

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"TALMA"	10,000	13th April	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

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Ship	Tons	From HONGKONG	Destination
"ANAPURA"	6,000	7th April	Madras, Kolumbugan, Sandakan
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	10th April	Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane
"TANJA"	6,000	13th April	Bombay, Sydney, Melbourne
"ANAPURA"	6,000	16th April	Madras, Kolumbugan, Sandakan

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"SANTHA"	7,754	5th April	Kobe
"PERIM"	7,444	8th April	Shanghai & Kobe
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	11th April	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"KASHGAR"	5,006	14th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	17th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KASHGAR"	5,144	20th April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
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### WANTED—A STATIST!

By a majority of three to one the General Chamber of Commerce at its annual meeting voted in favour of a resolution that "accurate statistics of trade be maintained and that the Government be requested to re-establish the Statistical Department as soon as possible." That overwhelming decision should pave the way for the meeting of the General Chamber with the Chinese Chamber, and on the result of that joint meeting will probably depend the final decision of the Government. Statistics may, as Mr. Sewell remarked last Thursday, be a disease with some people. If that be so it is only a pity that more are not infected! Mr. G. M. Young propounded a very reasonable argument when he said that he likened a trading Colony like Hongkong with no statistics to a firm which kept no books. Such a firm would get short shrift if it ever had the misfortune to appear in the Bankruptcy Court. It is against all the ethics of good business. It is a danger both to the firm and to its creditors.

The only reasonable point advanced against the re-opening of the Statistical Department, submitted was that the trade figures were inaccurate. This is no new or novel plea in respect of trade statistics. It has been raised time and again at Home; it has been the topic of discussion in Malaya; it has more than once been a bone of contention in Australia. And yet all these countries are obstinate—if the word be permitted—in maintaining the Department responsible for the compilation of statistics. Approximate figures are, after all, better than none. If they can assist the business community in any way. That is all that the local Chamber expects, notwithstanding its emphasis at the annual meeting on the value of accuracy. There must be some

index to the trade of the Colony both for the use of the local merchant and the Home manufacturer. How otherwise can the trend of trade be ascertained? How else can the facts be revealed of British competition with other countries in the matter of trade? In these directions figures can speak—and speak more eloquently than all the unathema about our rivals snatching this and that trade from us. It is so easy to decri our competitors. Words are cheap. Figures—even of the kind hitherto supplied by the Statistical Department in this Colony—can shatter illusions or prove a case up to the hilt, even though they may only be approximate. Figures are cheap at any price in reason it costs to compile them.

Without an inside knowledge it is impossible to say offhand whether, when it did exist, the Statistical Department here was run on efficient and economical lines. A mere vote in the Legislative Council conveys nothing. Let a Director of the Statistics Bureau be appointed—one who is an expert such as the various States in the Commonwealth of Australia have—and it will very soon be discovered whether weaknesses existed in the past and how these can be remedied in the future. This suggests itself as the best way out of the present difficulty. In any case it is worth considering at the joint meeting of the two Chambers and being incorporated in any recommendations made to the Government for the guidance of the Legislative Council.

### MATSHEDS.

Soon the leaden and lowering skies will give place to sunshine. Our expenditure will include payments for prickly heat powder and the lotion that wards off mosquitoes. Sun helmets will reappear, and we will go down again to the crowded beach, and all we shall need will be a towel to rub us dry (apologies pending to Mr. John Massfield). A matshed is probably an artistic thing by itself. It is undoubtedly useful. It is cheap. In the bulk it is nasty. Repulse Bay confirms us in this impression and opinion. If it is possible to have a matshed slum, that slum is certainly to be seen at the place mentioned. Why should this conglomeration of untidiness be allowed to continue? The Government charges "ground rent" for these contraptions, and we believe, has increased these charges. The P.W.D. might well insist on certain things. One thing would be the number of sheds to a beach. Another would certainly be the appearance of them and insistence on their safety. At Castle Peak a number of site holders have improved on the ordinary matshed. There is to be seen the construction of

wood, suggesting comfort and durability. The idea might well be copied. The days of reclaiming bathing beaches are over—at least we hope so. The matshed habit will continue and is to be encouraged. The Government might well encourage the people to erect sheds at all the beaches, bays and inlets which it controls—on the island and the mainland. In this way the congestion at such places as Repulse Bay would be reduced, and unsightliness give place to order.

### THEY SAY THAT—

Every boy should learn a hobby to save him in his middle life.—Sir Bruce Bruce-Porter.

What matters is that each should do, not what, on the whole, might be the best thing for most men to do in a similar case, but the best thing that he, being just as he is, can do on an enthusiastic impulse of his own and as a genuine expression of himself.—Mr. C. E. Montague.

If you intend to go to work, there is no place better than where you are. If you do not intend to go to work, you cannot get goal anywhere.—Abraham Lincoln.

Intelligence is being absolutely sterilised under the examination system.—Prof. H. E. Armstrong.

Trade to-day is a science. It cannot be done in an old-fashioned way.—Sir Woodman Burleigh.

The Press reflects life, but at the moment the cinema picture only reflects the "movies".—Gilbert Frankau.

It may be unfortunate that the majority of the film-public like their romance silly, but it is a fact.—A. B. Walkley.

The unpopularity of the death penalty argues no want of sympathy with the murdered.—Eva Gore-Booth.

I have seen ladies in shops addressing shop girls in a manner which I should be sorry to do myself.—The Prime Minister.

Many people say a thing the first time because they have heard some one else say it, and stick to it because they have said it themselves.—Dean Inge.

As surely as contending nations, victor and vanquished, lose by war, so surely do employers and employees lose by industrial strife.—W. A. Appleton.

We must show the man who swings a hammer all day long, just how and why he is serving God with every stroke.—P. T. R. Kirk.

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### FINAL PERFORMANCE BY "THE QUAINS."

### PATRONAGE APPRECIATED.

It was a wonderful tribute to the performances by "The Quains" during their season in Hongkong that the incessant rain of yesterday did not stand in the way of a packed house in the Star Theatre for the farewell production of "No, No, Nanette." Six times previously had this musical comedy been given in the space of eight days, inclusive, and still there was as much demonstration last night as there was on the first. This is surely a record for a travelling company, and Mr. Salisbury, might well be proud of the patronage of Hongkong.

Last night's performance went with the usual swing from beginning to end, and the principals acquitted themselves with their usual ability.

At the conclusion prolonged applause greeted the assembled members of the cast on the stage, and three times was the curtain dropped, only to rise again in response to the outburst of applause. Finally, Mr. Salisbury stepped to the front and in a very few words thanked the people of Hongkong for their kindness to "The Quains" during their visit here. He only trusted that when they returned they would receive the same splendid reception.

Poor Mr. Brown had been terribly worried with business and had got into a very nervous state so that any little sound seemed to annoy him.

The other night when moving an easy chair the castors creaked dreadfully. Mrs. Brown, who was sitting in it, cried out to her husband, "What's that?" and he replied, "That's the chair, Mrs. Brown, it's the castors."

### DOCK MEETING.

(Continued from Page 4.)

Reference has already been made to the world wide stagnation in the shipbuilding industry, and we have been most fortunate in being able to maintain the payment of a dividend until this past year. With the conditions that have had to be faced since the middle of last year, it is no cause for surprise that the year has come out with a loss.

Your Directors, gentlemen, are equally with you shareholders in the Company and are just as anxious to see the Company in a flourishing condition and in a position to pay good dividends. In fact a glance at the list of shareholders to-day hold or directly represent over one-tenth of the issued Capital of the Company. They deplore with you the loss made last year and have been happy to welcome the Committee of shareholders who will in due course put forward their recommendations.

Interests Cared For.  
What I think every shareholder wishes to know is that his interests are being properly cared for. To ascertain that this is so is no doubt the purpose for which the questions were framed. I suggest, therefore, that the matters about which information is desired should be placed before the Shareholders Committee who will be able to go into the various points thoroughly and with more satisfaction than would be afforded by a series of brief questions and answers in this room. Still, if it is desired to put these questions now, I shall be pleased to answer them to the best of my ability.

I may add that the Chief Manager will be glad to see any shareholder who will come to him with proposals for the better working of the Company, and will be very pleased to show any of you over the property you own. It is doubtful if many of you have any idea of the large organisation that is required for modern shipbuilding and for competition with similar undertakings in other countries. For new tonnage we have to compete with Home Yards, who, as you know, have been devoting a considerable amount of time and energy to cheapening the cost of building and we have to keep right abreast of the times in order not to be left behind and out in the cold.

### Mr. Kelly Sayce's Criticism.

Mr. Kelly Sayce then addressed the meeting as follows:—"It is not my intention to ask any particular questions, but with your permission I propose to submit to this meeting a few observations on the report and statement of account as presented to us to-day. I have no doubt that the result of last year's working is as disappointing to you, Gentlemen of the Board, as it is to the general body of shareholders, but like all other concerns engaging in any kind of trade we must be prepared for periods of depression, and take the good with the bad. There is, however, a feeling among a large number of shareholders that the loss shown us to-day need not have been as large as it is. The opinion also prevails that a good deal of capital expenditure has been unwisely spent and should have been avoided.

At the meeting last year the Chairman in the course of his speech said that "the past year makes the third in succession in which Companies like ours have had to labour under trying circumstances, in fact the year 1924 was even more difficult than the two previous ones. This is, of course, largely due to the continued depressed state of affairs in shipping," from which it will be seen that neither the Board nor the management could be said to have been taken unawares by a sudden turn of the tide, for we have it on the authority of the Chairman that for three years in succession "Companies like ours have had to labour under trying circumstances."

An "Enormous Sum."  
Common prudence, therefore, should have dictated a cutting down of Capital outlay on a large scale, at any rate until such time as a change for the better was observable. Instead of that the enormous sum of \$5,500,000 has been spent by our Company during the very period stated by our Chairman last year to have been one of continued depression. That is to say, a sum of money nearly equalling double our total capital has been borrowed and sunk into extensions or alterations to our property admittedly unproductive, with the result that we are now saddled with very heavy payments of interest which we cannot earn. I am sure shareholders will agree with me that if a private person conducted his business on such unsound principles he would very soon find himself in the County Court, and I fear, unless a change in our own policy is made, and made soon, we shall find very far from the hands of the Official Receiver ourselves.

### Wisdom Questioned.

I think shareholders have every reason to question the policy of the present management that has brought our Company to such a pass by its unwise and unproductive capital outlay on such a stupendous scale. To sink huge sums of money into something that may, at some time in the indefinite future, prove profitable, is open to question. But, to do so on borrowed money seems to me to be the height of un wisdom and economically unsound. It is earnestly to be hoped, therefore, that the Board will call a halt to all further borrowings.

I would also urge upon the serious attention of the Board of Directors, who, after all are the custodians of the shareholders' property to carefully review the manner in which the business of the Company has been conducted, specially during the period mentioned by me, and to consider whether the time has not come for a radical change in the working and policy of the Company.

### Chairman Replies.

The Chairman, with reference to Mr. Kelly Sayce's comments I notice that he was one of the shareholders who requested the appointment of a committee of investigation. I think it is rather difficult for a shareholder to criticise the interior working and management of the company without having investigated it in person. No doubt when the Committee of Investigation have enquired into it with all the books and information at their disposal they will be in a position to say whether the Directors have mismanaged the Company's business or not as is suggested. Meanwhile until the report is received the matter can be left as it stands. (Applause).

### Business.

The re-election to the board of directors of Sir Paul Chater and Mr. T. G. Weall was proposed by Mr. Ho Leung, seconded by Mr. Kelly Sayce and carried.

The appointment of Mr. D. G. M. Bernard to the Board was confirmed on the proposition of Mr. Croucher, seconded by Mr. J. A. Alves.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Mathews and Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming were elected auditors at a remuneration of \$1,500 each on the proposition of Mr. Sewell, seconded by the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.

### MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Tijawa" left Singapore for this port on March 24 at a.m. and is due here tomorrow at about 6 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Macedonia" left Singapore for this port yesterday at 9 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on April 1 at about 6 a.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia," Capt. A. J. Hosken, R.N.R., Commander, will leave here for Victoria and Vancouver, B.C., via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama at 1 a.m. on April 2.

Jean entered a butcher's shop in a little town in Scotland, and demanded to see a sheep's head. "Is it English?" she asked when one was shown her.

"No, lass, it's Scotch," replied the butcher.

"Then it'll no do," said Jean. Mistress is English, and she said I was to be sure and bring English meat."

"Here, Jock!" said the butcher, tossing the sheep's head over to his assistant, "take the brains out of that, will you?"



Admiral Sir Paul Chater, K.C.B., R.N., was elected to the Board of Directors of the P. & O. Navigation Company, Ltd., at the annual meeting held at the Grosvenor Hotel, London, on March 24th, 1926.



# "CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE

## BOXING.

NAVY WINS LOWTHER GRANT CUP.

TWO POINTS MAJORITY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, March 29.  
The Navy won the Lowther Grant boxing challenge Cup by five points to three.

## "LIFE A RACE."

SPEAKER AT THE Q.C. SPORTS.

SATURDAY'S EVENTS.

The Queen's College ground at Causeway Bay was the scene of a happy gathering on Saturday afternoon of Old Boys and well-wishers of the institution on the occasion of the annual athletic meeting which proved to be a distinct success, thanks to the efficient arrangements made by a committee with Mr. George O'Connor as secretary. Mr. A. T. Hamilton was an efficient and palinstaking starter.

At the conclusion of a long programme of keenly contested events containing novel features, Mr. A. H. Crook, M.A. welcomed Mrs. George Grimble, the wife of the popular President of the Queen's College Old Boys Association, who gave away the prizes. Mr. George Grimble replied in a happy speech reminding the boys that life was a race and exhorting them to play the game and never to be downhearted. His advice was received with applause.

The events for the old boys ended in a popular win for Mr. J. F. Grose. The senior championship cup and gold medal was won by Li Ping-tong with 13 points. The runner-up was M. Sabhan. The junior championship cup and silver medal was won by Chiu Hoong-yung with 12 points. The runner-up was Yeung Wai-wa.

**Prize-Winners.**  
Long Jump, Senior Championship—1, Tang Ki-cheng; 2, Li Chao-lau; 3, M. Sabhan, 17ft. 6in.  
Long Jump, Junior Championship—1, Chiu Hoong-yung; 2, Yeung Wai-wa, 12ft. 4in.

100 Yards Senior Championship—M. Sabhan, 2, Li Ping-tong; 3, 1. Haroon, 10 4/5 secs.  
100 Yards Junior Championship—1, Tang Ki-cheng; 2, Chiu Hoong-yung; 3, Chiu Wai-nam, 12 1/5 secs.

High Jump, Senior Championship—1, Tang Ki-cheng; 2, Li Chao-lau; 3, Kung Ping ho, 4ft. 11in.  
High Jump, Junior Championship—1, Chiu Hoong-yung; 2, Yeung Wai-wa, 4ft. 8in.

120 Yards Hurdles, Senior Championship—1, Li Ping-tong; 2, M. Sabhan; 3, Tang Ki-cheng, 17 2/5 secs.  
120 Yards Hurdles, Junior Championship—1, Chiu Hoong-yung; 2, Tang Ying-tok, 24 secs.

Pick-a-back Race—1, Wei Chung and Leung Kit-tong; 2, M. R. Abbas and Haroon Hassan.  
Half Mile Handicap—1, Ko Tai-tim; 2, Leung Man-shum; 3, Li Kai-ying, 2:34 3/5.

Three Legged Race—1, Ho Yat-cho and Chiu Kwok-tang; 2, Chan Pui-kan and Fung Kai-kwong; 3, Li Ping-tong; 2, M. Sabhan; 220 Yards Senior Championship—1, Li Ping-tong; 2, Wong Kam-pui; 3, Chiu Hoong-yung, 32 secs.

100 Yards Class 8—1, Hui Chi-woon; 2, Wei Shing-cho; 3, Wong Kam-pui, 14 1/5 secs.  
Sack Race—1, I. Haroon; 2, Li Shiu-lau; 3, Leung Sik-on.

One Mile Race—1, Li Kai-ying; 2, Tsui Ping-kau; 3, G. M. Butt, 5:56 4/5.  
Potato and Spoon Race—1, J. F. Grose; 2, S. Haroon.

Invitation Team Race Open—1, St. Joseph's College; 2, Yau-mat School; 3, St. Paul's College.  
Senior Class Team Race—C2.  
100 Yards Old Boys Race—1, T. Hamet, 10 3/5 secs.

Junior Class Team Race—1, 4A.  
100 Yards Consolation Race—1, Pang Oi-lam; 2, C. Osman; 3, Pang Yik-chau and Leung Kwong-wa.

## CRAIGENGOWER C.C.

The bowling green of the Craigen-gower C.C. will be opened on April 11. If possible two teams will take part in the league this year.

A representative Club team will meet the "Rest" on cricket closing day, April 10, which will be followed by a dinner.  
The dance postponed from last week was held on Saturday when the usual facilities were provided for an enjoyable time.

## SHIELD TIES.

TWO STIRRING SEMI-FINALS.

SURREYS & KOWLOON.

Although the scores were different, the 1/2 East Surreys and the Kowloon F.C. entered the final of the Hongkong senior soccer shield by victories of two goals each on Saturday.

Some of the play was of the real cup-tie type. Penalties were conceded, a player got marching orders, goals were disallowed (rightly) and there were occasional touches of over-anxiety.

After being two goals down at the interval, the soldiers beat the Club de Recreo (playing in senior company for the first season) by getting four points in the last 45 minutes.

Kowloon were always on top of the Police and won by 3-1.

**Police Defeated.**

The peninsula men met the coppers at Sookumpoo on a slippery pitch. As in other games during the season, the Police were ineffective in front of goal, this proving their downfall. The teams were:

Kowloon:—Avery, Guest, O'Connor as secretary, Mr. A. T. Hamilton was an efficient and palinstaking starter.

Police:—Clarke, Wynne, Harle, Brimman, Hudson, Randle, Cornwall, McEwen, Johnson, Oram, Noonan.

Referee: Mr. Baldwin. Linesmen: Messrs. Gilmore, McIver.

Britain fouled in the fatal area and Sims gave Kowloon the lead from the penalty kick. Towards half-time Spary scored the second.

Because Read used his elbows, Hudson (formerly the "Tamar" pivot) took the spot-kick for the Police but banged straight at the Kowloon goal.

Sims got Kowloon's third and then McEwen registered the losers' solitary point.

**Grand Recovery.**

A movement along the vanguard gave the Recreo their opening goal against the infantrymen, on the Club ground, Rocha putting on the final touch. Then Brown hooked the second over the Surrey custodian's head.

Humberstone and Butler equalised after the interval and then Ogley was sent off for rough play.

McGreavy put in the winners' third goal and Butler the fourth. With the game getting out of their grip and a man short, the Recreo tried hard but failed against opposition of better class.

Surreys:—Douglas, Cooper, Jordan, Kidd, McGreavy, Bristowe, Charlesworth, Cheeseman, Humberstone, Butler, Mackiesworth.

Recreo:—Fernandez, Ogley, Xavier, A.H., A.A. and A. Remedios, Fuentes, Silva, Gosano, Rocha, Brown.

Referee: Mr. Atkinson. Linesmen: Messrs. McCubbin, Morfett.

**In The League.**

The leaders in both junior sections of the league were also engaged.  
"South China A" drew in a goalless match with the Drums in section "A" of division II; and South China "C" scored the only goal from a free-kick just before the last whistle, against St. Joseph's College Reserves, in section "B."

## HOME SOCCER.

MATCHES IN LEAGUE AND F.A. CUP.

(Reuter's Service.)  
The following English Cup and League matches were played today:

**F.A. Cup Semi-Finals.**  
Manchester City, 3; Manchester United, 0. (At Sheffield).  
Bolton W., 3; Swans, 0. (At Tottenham).

**The League: Division I.**  
Blackburn R., 1; West Ham U., 0.  
Bury, 2; Arsenal, 2.  
Cardiff City, 0; Leeds United, 0.  
Everton, 3; Notts County, 0.  
Huddersfield T., 5; Aston V., 1.  
Sunderland, 3; Leicester C., 0.  
West Bromwich A., 0; Liverpool, 3.

**The League: Division II.**  
Barnsley, 0; Middlesbrough, 1.  
Blackpool, 0; Stoke City, 0.  
Bradford C., 1; South Shields, 1.  
Chelsea, 3; Wolverhampton W., 3.  
Clapton O., 1; Portsmouth, 1.  
Darlington, 3; The Wednesday, 1.  
Derby County, 3; Fulham, 1.  
Notts Forest, 2; Stockport County, 0.

**Port Vale, 3; Preston N.E., 0.**  
Southampton, 3; Oldham Ath., 1.  
Thistle League (Southern).  
Aberdeen A., 1; Swindon T., 1.  
Brentford, 0; Bournemouth and Bath, 2.

Birmingham and H.A., 1; Exeter C., 2.

Blackburn, 1; Hamilton, 1.  
Bristol, 2; Cowes, 1.

Cardiff, 1; Exeter, 1.

## FIVE RECORDS.

VARSITY ATHLETE'S GOOD SHOWING.

EXCELLENT FIGURES.

Excellent figures were put up at the University annual athletic sports on Saturday when S. O. Shahabudin broke five records, as follows:

100 yards: 10 2/5; previous record 10 1/2 secs.  
220 yards: 24 1/5; previous record 24 2/5.

Hurdles: 17 sec.; previous record 17 1/5; put up by Shahabudin in 1923.

Long Jump: 20 ft. 6 in.; previous record held by Shahabudin (19 ft. 10 1/2 in.) in 1922.

High Jump: 5ft. 7 1/2 in.  
There was a very good attendance throughout the afternoon. Unfortunately a late start was made and the time was never caught up; the prize distribution by Lady Clementi, who was attended by Capt. Steele, A.D.C., taking place long after the sun went down.

At the conclusion of the sports, Professor W. Faid, in a few brief words, paid tribute to the good weather and the fact of S. O. Shahabudin breaking five records, a figure which he thought would probably stand for many years.

The speaker then called upon Lady Clementi to distribute the prizes, commenting that though it was her first appearance at such a meeting, he had no doubt that it was only the beginning of a long sequence.

The results yesterday were, in addition to the tennis prizes presented, as follows:

**Prize-Winners.**  
Kicking the Football—1, A. P. Gutierrez; 2, B. K. Jap.

Throwing the Cricket Ball—1, S. Hachiuma; 2, H. Y. Leong.

100 Yards—1, Shahabudin; 2, Chong, 10 2/5 secs.

Pole Jump—1, Chong, 9ft. 3in., 2, Leong.

220 Yards—1, Shahabudin; 2, Wong Tape, 24 1/5 secs.

Half Mile—1, Tajima; 2, S. C. Ho; 3, K. I. Ip, 2:20 secs.

Hurdles—1, Shahabudin; 2, Chong, 17 secs.

Old Students' Race—1, Miss Stirling; 2, Miss I. Ho Tung. No time taken.

Putting the Weight—1, Leong, 2, Schorer, 28ft. 9in.

440 Yards—1, Hachiuma; 2, Ho; 3, Wong Tape, 58 3/5 secs.

Long Jump—1, Shahabudin; 2, Chong, 20 feet, 6 in.

Half Mile (Open to the Colony)—1, Mr. Fordham; 2, Mr. Woo, 2:16.

High Jump—1, Shahabudin; 2, Chong, 5ft. 7 1/2 in.

Lady Undergraduates' Race—1, Miss Carothers; 2, Miss Thom, 11 2/5 secs.

One Mile—1, Tajima (Replier of cup presented by Dr. Marriott) 2, Lam Fuk-tong; 2, K. I. Ip, 5:27.

Tag-of-war—Morrison Hall.  
Relay Race—Lugard Hall.  
Hostel Championship: Lugard Hall 48 points, Eliot Hall 23 points.

Individual Championship: S. O. Shahabudin 26 points, T. W. Cheong 17 points.

**Tennis Tournament.**  
Singles Championship—A. A. Rumjahn, Winner, T. W. Cheong, Runner-up.

Doubles Championship—H. C. Hung and B. H. Wong, Winners.  
Doubles Handicap—W. H. Sling and W. M. Cheong, Winners.

Singles Handicap "A"—H. Y. Leong, Winner, T. W. Cheong, Runner-up.

Singles Handicap "B"—C. L. Tan, Winner, T. M. Tsang, Runner-up.

Bristol, C., 4; Gillingham, 0.  
Crystal P., 4; Charlton A., 1.  
Millwall, 3; Queen's Park R., 0.  
Northampton, 2; Bristol R., 0.  
Norwich, 2; Luton Town, 0.  
Plymouth A., 3; Merthyr T., 0.  
Southend U., 4; Newport C., 1.  
Watford, 0; Reading, 1.

**Third League (Northern).**  
Aldershot, 1; Bradford, 1.  
Barrow, 0; Chesterfield, 3.  
Coventry C., 1; Tranmere R., 2.  
Crewe A., 0; Halifax T., 1.  
Doncaster R., 2; Hartlepool U., 1.  
Lincoln C., 3; Accrington S., 1.  
Nelson, 2; Walsall, 0.  
New Brighton, 5; Rotherham U., 1.

**Southport, 3; Durham C., 1.**  
Wigan, 2; 2; Grimsby T., 2.  
Wrexham, 1; Rotherham, 0.  
**Scottish League.**  
Aberdeen, 3; Elgin, 1.  
Dundee U., 4; Clydebank, 0.  
Hearts, 2; Dundee, 2.  
Motherwell, 2; Celtic, 2.  
Partick T., 3; Morton, 2.  
Queen's Park, 2; Kilmarnock, 2.  
Rathfriland, 2; Falkirk, 2.  
Rangers, 0; Aberdeen, 1.  
St. Johnstone, 1; Hamilton, 1.  
St. Mirren, 2; Cowden, 1.

## CRICKET LEAGUE.

R. E. BECOME JUNIOR CHAMPIONS.

SURREYS' FIRST WIN.

The Royal Engineers gained a popular win over the Civil Service C.C. "A" in their last match on Saturday and secured the junior championship in the cricket league. By defeating the Craigen-gower C.C. almost at the last minute, the 1/2 East Surreys registered their first win in league cricket this season.

## LEAGUE MATCHES.

Division I.

C.C.C. v. EAST SURREYS.

A victory by one wicket was gained by the 1/2 East Surreys over the Craigen-gower C.C. within twenty minutes of the time fixed for drawing stumps.

The Infantrymen lost their ninth wicket with ten runs behind the Craigen-gower total and the closing stage was watched with intense excitement. Credit is due to Pte. Wood (last man in) for remaining at the wickets sufficiently long to enable C.Q.M.S. Stripp to give the winning hit before he was beaten by Abbas.

A feature of the match was the cautious batting of the Army "stumper" which gave his side the victory.

## INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY.

## THE BOAT RACE.

CAMBRIDGE WIN IN IDEAL CONDITIONS.

FIVE LENGTHS VICTORY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 27.  
Cambridge won the Boat Race by 5 lengths in 19 minutes, 29 seconds.

The conditions were ideal for a fast race, the water being smooth, with a light south-easterly breeze. An excellent start was made. Oxford had a slight lead early on, but Cambridge rowed beautifully. At the milepost the time was 4 mins. 3 secs. Here they were practically level, and a spurt by Oxford secured them an advantage, but Cambridge answered well.

At Hammersmith Bridge (time 7 mins. 27 secs.) Oxford led by a bare canvas. At Chiswick Cambridge by a magnificent effort drew ahead, and although Oxford tried hard by Duke's Meadows to reduce the lead Cambridge reached Barnes Bridge in 16 mins. 10 secs., with the race well in hand.

As they approached the finish Cambridge with a short spurt, lengthened their lead considerably. The Cambridge crew did not appear to be distressed, but some of the Oxford men were badly done up.

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

Goodyer 11 2 24 3

Jacob 10 3 14 1

Higgs 9 3 16 3

Jones 2 0 16 0

Durand 5 2 8 0

Bridgeand 2 1 2 2

## BOWLING ANALYSIS.

O. M. R. W.

Burgess 11 1 51 0

English 4 1 8 0

Clarke 7 0 28 1

Allfree 7 2 28 2

Childson 3 0 20 0

Moore 4 1 12 1

1/2 East Surreys.

Pte. Burgess, b Abbas 10

C. Q. M. S. Stripp, b Abbas 56

L/Cpl. Clarke, c Read, b Abbas 25

Capt. Allfree, c Read, b 6

Bradbury 16

Major Paton, b Abbas 4

Lt. Childson, c Fincher, b Abbas 5

Pte. Moore, c Hanson, b Fritz 0

Cpl. Clark, b Fritz 0

C. S. M. Wright, b Abbas 12

Pte. English, c Fritz, b Abbas 1

Pte. Wood, not out 6

Extras 15

Total 150

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Fritz 12 3 42 0

Fincher 12 3 42 0

Abbas 18 4 65 7

Bradbury 5 1 14 1

Division II.

C.S.C.C. v. R.E.

The Royal Engineers came through with flying colours in their last league match with the Civil Service C.C. "A" and secured the junior division championship.

Civil Service, batting first, were dismissed for 98 runs, the bowling honours being shared by Capt. Bridgeand (2 for 2), S. S. Higgs (3 for 16) and Spr. Goodyer (3 for 24).

The fielding of the Civil Service team was poorer in comparison with that of the visitors, but the outlook was not promising when the third and fourth wickets dropped with the total at 66 and the ball had a tendency to stick on the ground. S. S. Higgs scored a number of fours over the wicket which gradually sent the score up and Col. Mackintosh gave valuable assistance in the partnership which brought the total to 100 before the latter had his balls dislodged. With the match being already won by six wickets, the Sappers went on to make 133.

As a batting side the home team failed. W. H. Edmonds was by far the best bowler (5 for 38) of those who shared largely in the attack.

**Civil Service "A".**  
H. F. Harper, b Goodyer 9  
E. S. W. Patterson, lb.w. b Jacob 5  
F. E. Bookers, c Kelly, b Goodyer 8  
J. H. B. Nihil, c Mackintosh, b Goodyer 8  
Josh, b Goodyer 8  
B. C. K. Hawkins, b Higgs 16  
S. B. Spillet, b Higgs 13  
W. H. Edmonds, b Higgs 1  
H. Westlake, run out 13  
H. Haynes, b Bridgeand 5  
T. W. Carr, b Bridgeand 0  
C. Sara, not out 18  
Extras 18

Total 98

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Davenport 12 0 56 2

Gilman 11 1 43 5

Dunford 3 0 18 1

Lee 4 0 23 0

Coomber 7 0 42 2

Navy C.C.

E. C. Fincher, c Bevis, b Lylal 40

Capt. West, b Goodwin 40

Mid Dickens, st. Jex, b Lylal 0

L. C. M. Dunford, c & b Morris 0

Pay Com. Coomber, b Morris 0

Sub-Lt. Gilman, lb.w. b Goodwin 85

Mid. Farquhar, c Morris, b Goodwin 85

Cpl. Lee, c Watters, b Goodwin 12

Capt. Davenport, not out 14

E. R. A. Dunford, b Lylal, b Morris 9

Extras 9

Total 123

Bowling Analysis.

O. M. R. W.

Goodwin 12 0 42 4

J. C. Lylal 11 3 20 2

C. W. Morris 10 4 23 4

H. Overy 0 0 25 0

Total 98

Extras 18

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## People and Events in the News of the World



Members of the rescue squad at the Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Co. mine disaster almost lost their lives in an explosion as they were seeking to recover the bodies of sixteen fellow miners, trapped in the mine by a blast and fire.



THOMAS A. EDISON  
A portrait of Thomas A. Edison, the world-famous inventor, taken on February 11 when he celebrated his 79th birthday.



Machine guns and army tanks were used by militia around the Lexington courthouse during the seventeen-minute trial of Ed Harris, a coloured man, who was sentenced to die for attacking a white woman.



MLLE. ANDRE LEFEBVRE  
Mlle. Andre Lefebvre, a dancer, was arrested by the French Government charged with having given military secrets to spies.



RESCUE AT SEA  
This photo shows one of the rescue boats, sent out from the s.s. "Westphalia" returning to the ship with the crew of the s.s. "Alkaid," a freighter which was battered into a sinking condition by a terrific storm in the Atlantic. After the crew was rescued, the freighter was set afire so that it would not menace navigation.



CAPT. AMUNDSEN  
Captain Roald Amundsen, the famous Norwegian Polar explorer, was reported to be ill with pneumonia.



NO MORE CHARLESTON  
After twenty-three hours' steady "hoofing," a Charleston contest in New York was called off with a man winning. Elsie Sutherland and Libby Kay, two of the contestants, above, collapsed a few hours before the contest ended.



ROSE DELENA  
Rose Delena was found wandering, half-frozen, during a blizzard in Newark, and said she had been sold to gypsies in Italy and deserted them in America because they forced her to beg.



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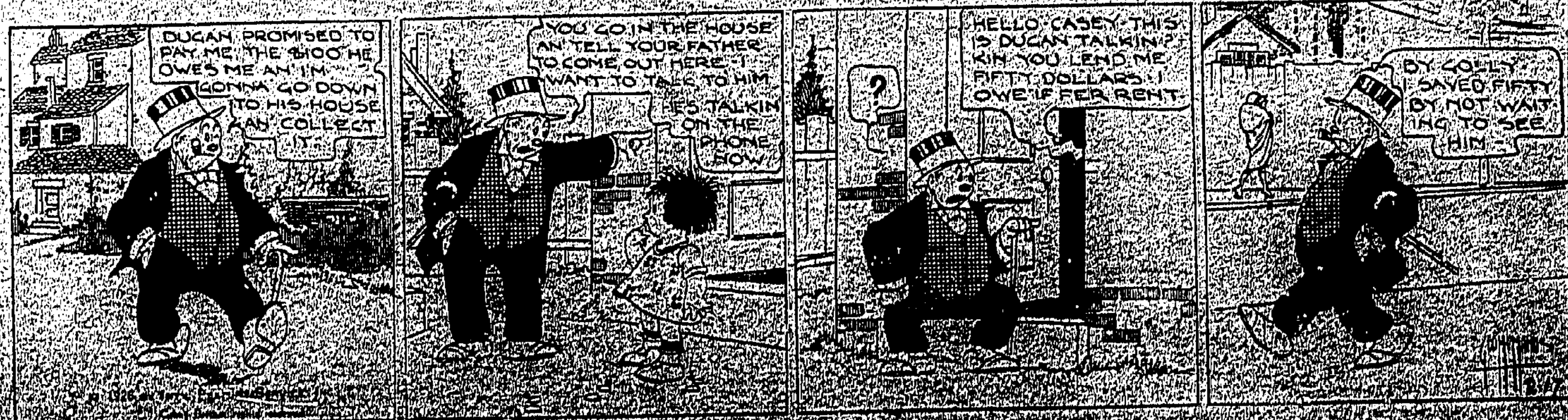


PROF. BORIS SCHATZ

Lady Austen Chamberlain nursed her husband, the British Foreign Minister, through a severe illness. Dr. Oscar Haywood, the noted New York lawyer, told Congress he would support the McLeod bill to abolish the electric chair. Wallmar Eottröm is Sweden's new Minister to the United States. Professor Boris Schatz, founder of the Jerusalem Art Academy, went to America to acquaint Americans with modern Palestine art.

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## COAL CONCORD.

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TRADE REVIVAL IMPETUS.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 28.

Speaking last night in Forest of Dean, the Secretary of State for Home Affairs, Sir William Joynson-Hicks, referred to the Government's attitude toward the report of the Coal Commission.

The acceptance of the report, he said, constituted an important



Sir W. Joynson-Hicks.

move toward a settlement, but there was a necessary preliminary to any further action by the Government. Unless there was concord in the coal trade the Government could not proceed.

In addressing an urgent appeal to both parties to respond to the Government's move Sir W. Joynson-Hicks said that he believed that a settlement would afford the necessary impetus for a genuine revival of trade which was almost certain if the present coal difficulty could be overcome.

He continued: "Trade after trade is beginning to move. The cloud is breaking in Lancashire, Yorkshire, and in London. Everywhere there is confidence in trade. Everywhere the export markets of the world are opening to British goods."

## A WAY OUT.

PRESSING FINANCE NEEDS OF FRANCE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, March 27.

The Ministerial Council have discussed the financial situation. M. Raoul Peret indicated there was hope of reaching an agreement in the Finance Committee, and added that he was prepared to make a further effort at conciliation as far as compatible with the imperious necessities of the hour.

The Council unanimously approved of M. Peret's attitude. Subsequently M. Peret said he would wash his hands of the whole business unless the Business Turnover Tax and other taxes was voted by March 31.

M. Peret declared the Government was unanimous on the necessity for a speedy vote, and would, if necessary, stake its existence thereon. Things could not continue in this way. They were at the mercy of the slightest incident which might smash up everything. He was not afraid of any complication at the moment, but if demands for reimbursement of Treasury Bonds should pour in he would be reduced to resort to inflation which he would not have at any price.

The Finance Committee of the Chamber passed by 15 votes to 7, with five abstentions, the amendment of Deputy Marguier aiming at the institution of a monopoly on the higher grades of petrol.

The amendment provides for State control of the importation of raw petroleum, its derivatives, and also sugar from January 1, 1927, but it is not certain that Parliament will pass it.

## A Transformation.

The politico-financial situation is drastically transformed. The Government's fate yesterday seemed sealed owing to the Socialists and Radicals opposing an increase of the Business Turnover Tax; on which the Government insisted; but to-day, M. Peret suddenly informed the Finance Committee of the Chamber that he had given up this tax and would instead submit proposals for an increase in certain indirect taxes, especially wines, beers, spirits and certain stamp duties.

M. Peret asked for a little time to put the finishing touches on the new project, and the Committee readily agreed. Thus an anti-Government majority on the Turnover Tax is averted at the eleventh hour.

## ON HOLIDAY.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, March 28.

Mr. Mellon left for Bermuda for his Easter vacation. Sir Robert Hornes said farewell to him on the pier.

## THREE EXPERTS.

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CONFERENCE.

WORKERS' NOMINEE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 28.

The first session of the preparatory Committee for the International Economic Conference is due to open in Geneva on April 26.

Sir Hubert Smith, of the Board of Trade, Sir Arthur Balfour, President of the Committee on Trade and Industries, and Mr. W. T. Layton, Editor of the Economist, are three British experts who have already accepted the Council's invitation to take part in the discussions.

In addition, Mr. Arthur Pugh, President of the General Council of the Trades Union Congress, has just been nominated by the workers' group of the governing body of the International Labour Office to represent the workers' point of view on the Committee.

## EXILED DUKE.

DEATH OF HEAD OF FRENCH ORLEANISTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Pierrefort, March 28.

The death has occurred here of the Duke of Orleans.



Duc d'Orleans.

Louis Philippe Robert, Duke of Orleans, was born in 1839. He went to France at the Bourbon recall in 1871 and was exiled with his father, the Comte de Paris, in 1886. He served in a British regiment in India in 1888. On his return to France in 1890, he was arrested, but subsequently was allowed to depart.

## POWER CONTROL.

DIFFICULT PROBLEM FOR GOVERNMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 28.

The Government faces another difficult problem when the second reading of the Electricity Supply Bill is taken to-morrow. Much opposition is expected from Government supporters. The strongest feeling exists among a section of Conservatives against the Bill which is regarded as the thin end of the wedge of Nationalisation.

About 40 members have indicated they are supporting the unofficial motion for the Bill's rejection on the ground that it is Socialistic. It is unlikely, however, that this motion will be moved as a Labour amendment advocating a publicly owned system takes precedence.

Whilst Government circles contend that most criticism arises from the fact that the Bill's technicalities are imperfectly understood, the situation needs careful handling, and it is expected that the Government will be induced to accept some modification.

## OPIUM IN PERSIA.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS COMMISSION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tehran, March 28.

The League of Nations Commission to investigate the cultivation of opium in Persia has arrived.

## TARIFF PARLEY.

Tokyo, March 19.

Baron Shidehara, replying to inquiries by the Lower House Budget Committee, stated emphatically that the Government did not intend withdrawing from the Tariff Conference as stabilization of the Chinese situation necessitated an agreement being reached.

Though admitting that progress had been slow the Foreign Minister declared that there were "all indications of the conference culminating in something substantial by the middle of May." — Reuter.

## LEAGUE PROBLEM.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS COUNCIL.

LORD CECIL TO PRESIDE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 28.

Lord Cecil will probably represent Great Britain on the special Committee set up by the League of Nations' Council at its last meeting to study the problems connected with the composition, number, and method of election of its members.



Lord Cecil.

The Committee will meet at Geneva on May 10.

## ROUGH AND GRITTY.

LORD GREY ON WORLD SITUATION.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 27.

An encouraging view of the world outlook, following the Geneva breakdown, was taken by Lord Grey in a speech at Cambridge last night. He agreed that the world was faced with a rough and gritty situation, and that the proceedings at Geneva had caused a shock to those who had set their hopes on the League of Nations. It was, however, a quickening, not a deadening, shock. It had shaken them out of the complacency which had settled upon them after Locarno.

Last year the League of Nations had a very good year. The Locarno treaties were rightly looked upon as immensely strengthening the League and the prospect of future peace. The proceedings at Geneva, however, afforded disagreeable reading, and the fact that the League Assembly had separated without accomplishing anything looked like failure. If analysed, however, they might find a good deal in it that was hopeful for the future. On the dark side of the scenes at Geneva, there was a tendency to intrigue and bargain and push separate national interests to the exclusion of the common good, and to the damage of the League of Nations; but there was something else that had shown itself, and that was the proof by more than one nation of devotion to the ideals of the League, which made the representatives of those nations ready to sacrifice the amour propre of their nations, and if need be, their seats on the Council, in order to preserve the ideals of the League.

Bad things at Geneva were not new, but this was a new display of such a spirit of self-sacrifice as was shown by more than one of the nations which met at Geneva. It was a concrete example, such as he did not recollect in our time. But for the existence of the League, perhaps that ideal would not have existed, and certainly it would not have come to light as it did at Geneva. After this exhibition of public spirit, he could not but believe that when the nations which compose the League met again after six months of reflection, the good and nobler side would prevail.

The proceedings at Geneva were not so great a failure as at first sight appeared. If they had resulted in Germany withdrawing her application that would indeed have been failure, but the German application still remained, and would come up again in September. If those proceedings had resulted in the Locarno treaties disappearing, these would indeed have been a failure, but there was a general consensus of opinion among the Locarno Powers that the Locarno treaties still held good, just as they did when they were first made. That again was not failure.

Locarno remained unimpaired. That was an important decision. There was another thing, worth noting and which was distinct progress. Germany, though not a member of the League, was a member of the Commission to inquire into the composition of the Council, and he believed she was a member also of the preliminary conference, to inquire into the possibility of reducing armaments, so that whilst Germany was not yet a member of the League, she was actually functioning on these very important commissions as if she were a member.

## C.O.D.

SYSTEM OPENING THROUGH OUT BRITAIN.

LIMIT OF VALUE.

(British Wireless Service.)

Rugby, March 28.

The Post Office arrangements are complete for the opening of the cash on delivery postal system in Great Britain to-morrow.

Under this system parcels containing goods up to value of £40 may be posted at any money order office for any address in Great Britain, and the value will be collected by the Post Office authorities and remitted to the sender, an extra fee according to the value of the goods being charged.

## "RED" EXPEDITION.

PEKING CUT OFF FROM TIENTSIN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Hankow, March 27.

A wireless message from Changsha states the Fourth Division is moving from Changsha to Yochow against the Third Division and the Yochow Garrison.

Railway and telegraphic communications between Hankow, and Changsha are severed. The local Headquarters consider the movement a preliminary to a general "Red" expedition.

## FOREIGNERS LEAVE.

Tientsin, March 28.

Peking is now completely cut off from Tientsin, neither telephone nor railway communications functioning.

The Kuomintang have established important lines of trenches at Huang Tsun, with supports two miles behind, in readiness for strong resistance.

All foreigners in Fengtai have gone to Peking. The Mukden troops are now moving across country to Peking, and it is expected that these with Li Chinglin's army, will attempt to capture Peking.

## AN ADVANCE GUARD.

Peking, March 28.

Gunfire was heard last night, probably, at Sanhoehien, where the Fengtien advance guard is reported to have arrived.

## IMPORTANT STAGE.

Shanghai, March 28.

The civil war has reached an important stage, the Manchurian Generals Li Chinglin and Chang Tsung-chang having re-captured Tientsin from the Kuomintang Army and now advancing along the railway to Peking, whilst Chang Tso-hsin's cavalry are pushing forward to Peking from the East, and Wu Peifu has completely cleared the province of Honan, from the South.

## APPREHENSION RELIEVED.

Peking, March 28.

General Lu Chunglin, the Commandant of the Kuomintang Garrison here, has emphatically disclaimed his intention of disarming the Chief Executive's (Tuan Chi-jui) Bodyguard, thus greatly relieving apprehension since General Feng Yu-hsiang's telegram of March 20, blaming the Premier for the shooting of the student demonstrators by the guards, through failing to keep order.

## ONLY BANDITRY.

ANTI-AMERICAN OUTBREAKS IN MEXICO.

Washington, March 28.

The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. James E. Sheffield, delivered a Note to the Mexican Foreign Office requesting speedy punishment of the bandits who robbed two American mining engineers in Durango ten days ago.

There have been several other anti-American outbreaks in Mexico recently, but the State Department intimates the Note hardly constitutes a protest in the diplomatic sense of the word, and the United States is disposed to view these manifestations as mere a recrudescence of banditry, for which the Calles Government should not be held too strictly accountable.

## A STRIKE SETTLED.

Tokyo, March 18.

The strike of the Kyoto Printing Works, which had remained unsettled for the last two months, has been settled. As a result of negotiations conducted between representatives of strikers and the management of the printing company, it has been decided that the sum of ¥120,000 will be paid as allowances for the dismissal of half of 2,400 strikers in addition to ¥10,000 as consolidation money. The management state that though half of the workmen have been discharged, they wish to re-open the works as soon as possible. — Eastern News Agency.

## GOOD PROGRESS.

FRENCH LOSSES IN MOROCCO UNIMPORTANT.

CONCORD WITH SPANISH.

(Havas Agency.)

Paris, March 28.

M. Painleve, heard by the Finance Committee of the Chamber, stated in the recent fight in Morocco, the French troops made good progress, with unimportant losses.

The Government remains will to contemplate broaching negotiations as soon as circumstances make it possible, but will act in full accord with Spain towards a pacific settlement of the Moroccan question. It is for their enemies to impart to Spain and France their desire for peace.

## GERMAN BUDGET.

REPEAL OF THE TAX ON WINES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, March 28.

The Reichstag has passed the third reading of the Budget, including a reduction in the Turnover Tax to 0.7½ per cent. and repeal of the tax on wines.

The Supreme Court especially instituted for protection of the Republic has been abolished.

## CONVOY TANKS.

ENGAGE POWERFUL REBELS IN SYRIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, March 28.

A message from Beirut states a French column, while proceeding from Sednaya to Nive, encountered hostile forces. Convoy tanks preceding the column, engaged a powerful body of rebels at Baqda, killing thirty.

## PRINCE'S PROGRESS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 27.

The Prince of Wales is progressing excellently.

## SERVICE RUGGER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Twickenham, March 27.

In the inter-Services rugby tournament, the Army beat the Royal Air Force by 11 points to nil and thus win the championship.

## Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

March 29—Queen's Theatre: Larry Semon in "Kid Speed" and Glenn Hunter in "The Little Giant."

March 29—World Theatre: Lon Chaney in "The Night Rose."

March 29—Star Theatre: Johnnie Walker in "Life's Greatest Game."

April 10—Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel.

## Sports.

March 31—At Stephen's College annual athletic sports at Hongkong Football Club Ground Happy Valley.

April 3—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club, 2.30 p.m.

April 5—Fanling Hunt Steeplechase meeting at Kwai race course, near Fanling (New Territories).

May 1—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

June 5—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

October 2—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

November 8—"Extra" race meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club.

## Auctions.

March 30—Lampert, Bros. at Messrs. Sul Heong Yuen's Godown, Mongkok, Kowloon, motor vehicle articles and at Cheungsha Wan motor car machinery, 11 a.m.

March 30—Valuable collection of postage stamps at Lammer's sales room, 5.15 p.m.

## Company Meeting.

April 22—Forty-eighth meeting of shareholders of China Sugar Refining Co. in the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. at noon.

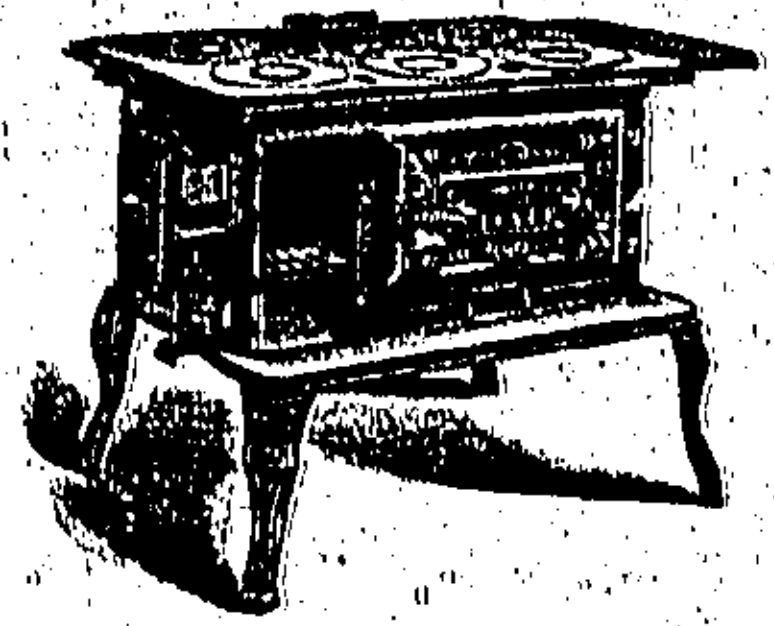
## Miscellaneous.

March 29—Annual meeting of the Hongkong S.P.C.A. in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. 3.30 p.m.

March 30—Display of singing, dancing and recitation by pupils of Peak School at the Peak Club, 7.45 p.m.

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3730	UKULELE LADY ...	" "
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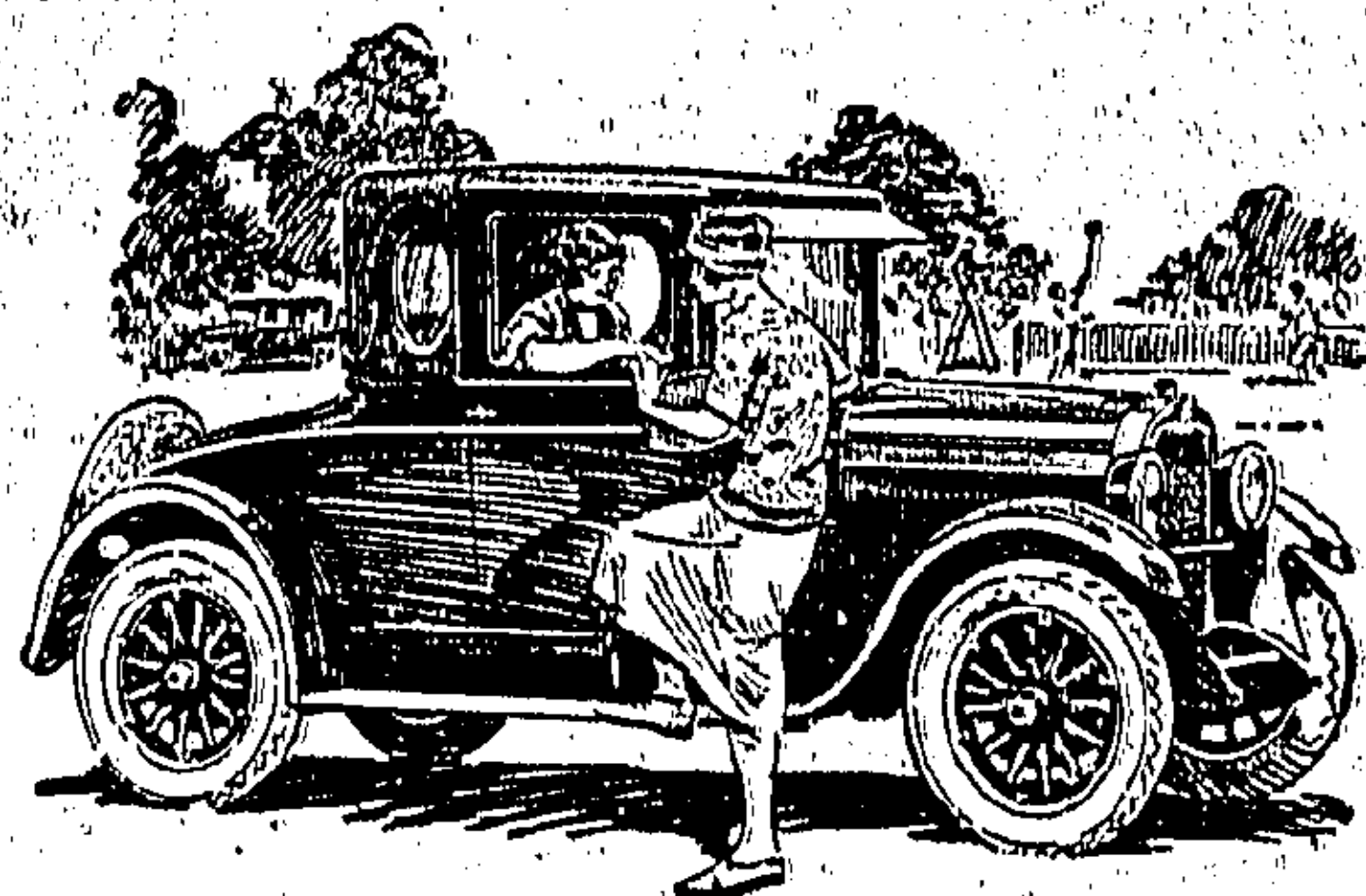
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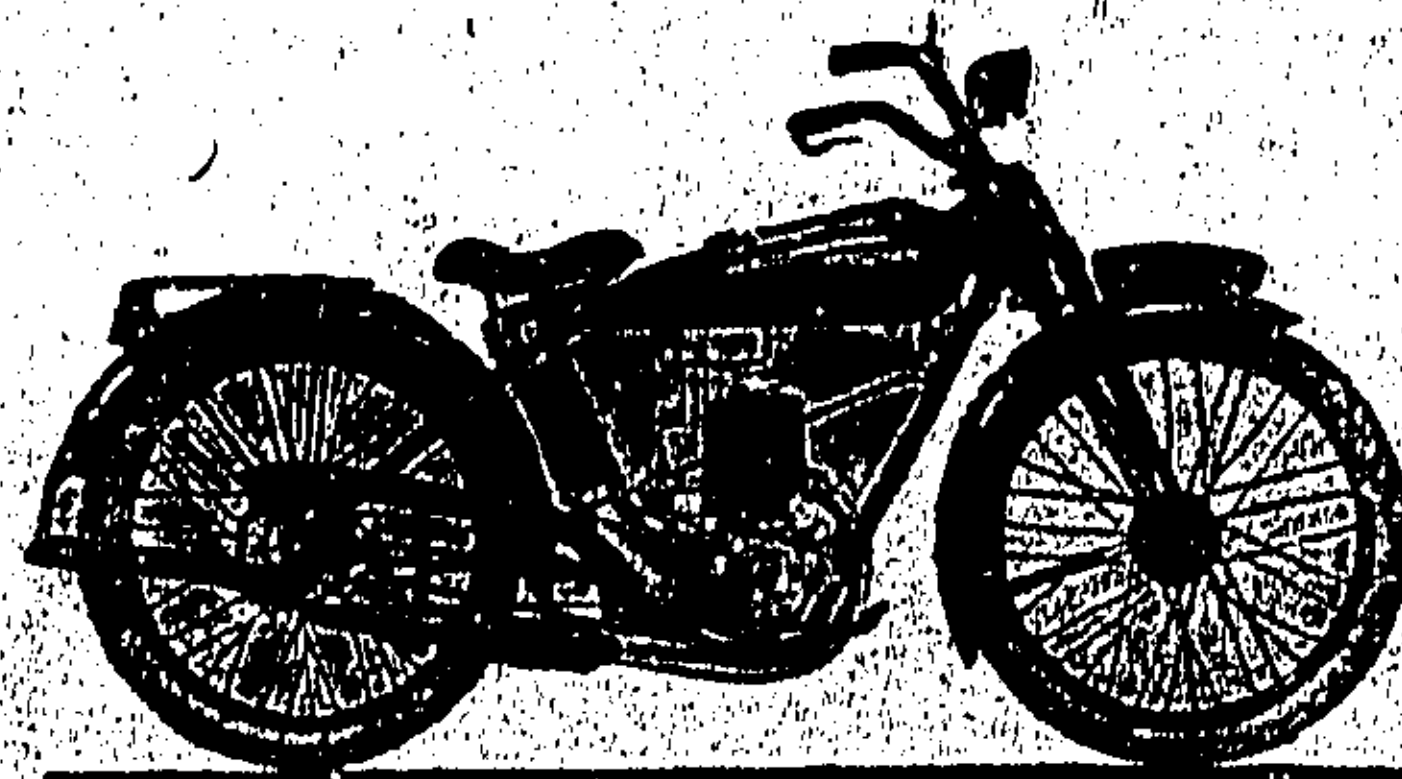
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## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Colony had a clean bill of health last Friday.

Kobe Musical Association is busily working on Mozart's Symphony No. 525.

Those who are interested in the forming of a branch of the Royal Army Medical Corps Association are invited to send their names and addresses to Major R. R. Lewis, R.A.M.C., O.C.C. Military Hospital, Hongkong.

Admitting that he had been splashing ink over the dresses of girls in the streets for nearly two years, Sidney Eastbury was ordered to pay 10 guineas damages at Birmingham. He was a youth, said his solicitor, who had been under medical observation, and who thought he "heard voices speaking to him." The police said they had had over 60 complaints.

Romany pupils varying in age from six to seventy-six have given the Surrey County education committee a great surprise. When the committee decided to open a school especially for the large gypsy colony which lives in caravans, tents and shacks on the Down there was some doubt on the success of the experiment. It was feared the teachers would have difficulty in enforcing attendance and keeping order. All the adult members of the Colony, including a seventy-six-year-old grandmother, showed up for the night school, showing an unexpected demand for schooling.

Turkey, like Russia, is nationalising production. It already has made government monopolies of tobacco, cigarette papers, benzine, kerosene, sugar and matches. "Now it has decided to nationalise the manufacture, importation and sale of wine, beer and other alcoholic drinks. The Ankara Government also announces a tax of from 10 to 30 per cent. on all food or drink served in public places, effective on May 1. This, with other taxes, will increase the cost of living in Turkey 50 per cent.

Germany has 246,000 motor cars of all classes which is a forty-five per cent. increase over last year. Germany now ranks fifth among the nations in regard to the number of automobiles.

The Pope has received in audience 47 Franciscan missionaries of Mary prior to their departure for China, India, and the Philippine Islands. The Pope remarked to them that, in a spiritual sense, theirs was no "departure," for "the earth is the Lord's, and 'He is everywhere.'"

According to the census taken by the Department of Home Affairs on November 16, last throughout the whole country, the number of lepers in Japan is 851 less than the number enumerated in March, 1919. Kagoshima Ken tops the list with 1,334, followed by Kumamoto with 1,219, Okinawa 935 Tokyo 880 and Osaka 766. Other prefectures with more than 300 patients each comprise Hiogo, Nagasaki, Gumma, Shizuoka, Yamaguchi, Gifu, Awamori.

The correspondent of the "Morning Post" at Madrid says that an entirely new feature will be introduced into Spanish social life on Sunday by the opening of adult Sunday schools in the smaller towns and villages. This is not the outcome of church activity, but the result of the new Government's initiative in education. A Royal decree announces that the Sunday schools will be opened for adults of both sexes in every town and village below 6,000 in population. Lessons will be given in civic duties, the Spanish language, literature, geography, history, art, hygiene, and simple economics. The local mayors will be responsible for the organisation of the classes, and lectures will be voluntarily given by teachers, priests, doctors, and scientists. The inauguration of the scheme is indicative of the new spirit which is gradually permeating all sections of society and inspiring real progress.

Madras motorists were surprised when the police laid a comprehensive trap for those who had failed to renew their licences. The "bag" included military and civil officers, merchants, princes and clergymen.

The Osaka Customs officials have made a big haul in connection with the smuggling of hairnets, the demand for which has been growing abundantly of late. A conspiracy between certain Japanese and Chinese merchants to smuggle into Japan 38,000 dozens of hairnets from Tientsin and elsewhere was uncovered early enough to allow the Customs officers to hold up the shipment and charge a merchant, Kamekichi Takai, ¥14,000 for their trouble.

Galen L. Potts, a diver, is alive to-day because he blew up, putting it figuratively. He was exploring the sunken tug, Marine No. 6, near Brooklyn Bridge and was causing Captain John Natvig worry, having been down twenty minutes, when a twenty-foot geysir shot into the air, and out of it bobbed Potts. He had stepped through the hole left when the smokestack was lost. Unable to signal or free himself, he opened a control valve and blew himself fifty feet up to the surface with a sixty-pound shot of compressed air.

Leading lights in the engineering department of the Japanese Army General Staff are evolving plans for a new type of tank which will weigh 16 tons, be capable of developing a speed of 25 miles an hour, carry two guns and 30 machine guns, and cost ¥30,000. This tank, it is stated, will compare very favourably with the latest European creations. It is not stated whether it can also fly and float, so just what part it will take in the next war remains enigmatic. Vernacular paper are inclined to irregularities; with 30 machine guns this new instrument of torture must approximate a porcupine.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. H. G. Wells is said to be engaged on a new novel in the manner of "Tono-Bungay."

Mr. T. G. Marlin, acting assistant victualling store officer at Hongkong, has been promoted to assistant victualling store officer.

Sir Thomas Lipton, who was one of the first men in England to drive a motor-car, still drives his own car. His other recreation is billiards. He does not play cards for the reason (as he will tell you very simply) that he promised his mother years ago never to touch them.

Described by Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch as one of the most remarkable autobiographies ever written, "Seventy Years a Showman," by the famous "Lord" George Sanger, was published in 1910. A year later the famous circus proprietor was murdered by his footman, Messrs. Dent are now issuing the book with a long introduction by Mr. Kenneth Grahame, the distinguished writer of books about children.

It is announced in the "Canadian Pacific Bulletin" (official organ of the C.P.R. and C.P.S.) that in the Orient Mr. G. E. Costello is now General Agent, Passenger Department, Hongkong; Mr. T. R. Percy, General Agent, Shanghai; Mr. A. M. Parker, General Agent, Yokohama; Mr. W. R. Buckenrough is Agent at Tokyo; and Mr. C. M. Hall is Agent at Tientsin.

Passengers who left by the "Fushimi Maru" on Saturday included Miss K. L. Storr so long connected with the Victoria Home and Orphanage. Miss Storr worked four years in Pakhoi and over 20 years at the Victoria Home. A large number of Chinese and European friends visited the boat to say farewell. It is not likely that Miss Storr will return to the Colony.

Oxford has adopted the umbrella because the Prince of Wales carried one after a French newspaper requested him to set this fashion. A New Zealand says that the Prince has long loved his "brill." "I travelled with the Prince of Wales through Marlborough," and I remember that he carried an umbrella almost every day. So there is nothing new in this sudden passion for the "gamp." But these young Oxford undergraduates might take still another hint from the Prince. His umbrella had concealed in the handle a pencil, which he often took out to make notes.

Miss Mary A. Owens, of Kingston, Herefordshire, left 1s. to each inmate of Kingston Workhouse "next Christmas Day."

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Jackson, of Liversedge, Yorks received a message from the King and Queen on their diamond wedding.

It has been revealed recently that Mr. Lloyd George is an avid reader of Wild West stories. There is nothing the former Premier enjoys more than to get wrapped up in a thrilling tale of cowpunchers or gold prospectors. He has given instructions to the book dealer who keeps him supplied with reading matter to send him all the good new yarns about the Canadian and American frontiers.

Allerton Hall and Park of 43 acres have been given to Liverpool Corporation as a New Year's gift by the six sons of the late Thomas and Elizabeth Clarke, in memory of their parents. The Hall, built in the 17th century, will probably be used as a branch library and art gallery. The grounds will become a public park. The Clarke family, who trace their ancestry to knights who fought at Poitiers, have been associated for many years with the tobacco manufacturing industry in Liverpool.

Princess Marie Jose, nineteen-year-old daughter of King Albert and Queen Elizabeth, has gained recognition of her exceptional talent as a violinist. She has just passed "with great distinction" an examination "of the upper class, first degree," given by the Belgian School of Music. The young princess is known not merely as a gifted musician but during the recent absence of the King and Queen in India proved herself to be a hostess of distinction, presiding at official receptions for the royal family.

Foreheads have again become fashionable, but women's ears must still be covered up and are useful only as appendages from which great earrings must dangle. London hairdressers have come to the rescue of women whose heads and faces lack the highly classical lines necessary to make the slicked-down hair becoming. The hair is now swept straight back from the forehead and the first and second faint waves cause graceful loops to fall over the ears, merely indicating the shape of the head without accentuating any unsatisfactory lines.

"Bright boys and girls cannot be brought up in bad houses." "That is one of the beliefs of Mrs. Green, the Eastern soldier, whose eighth child, Mark, has just got his L.C.C. scholarship.

Doctor Charles Flemming, lecturing to the Bath Clinical Society, said that youth anaemia, hysteria and senility were disappearing due to healthier and happier lives. The decrease of gout was the direct result of a decrease in drinking port and beer. Senility has been postponed for several years.

Cladys Cooper is among the well-known women who have lately been wearing earrings made from single pearls as big as small oak-apples. These are the latest example of the pearl craze, among women. The huge pearls are usually worn stud fashion, close to the ears, not suspended, and are often accompanied by triple rows of pearls round the neck.

Mr. Alexander Alexander, who although born without hands gained a considerable reputation as an artist, has died at Edinburgh. On several occasions he had paintings hung at the exhibitions of the Royal Scottish Company. In one year two pictures being accepted. Since boyhood he had trained himself to hold brush or pencil with his toes. When a valuable miniature, about one inch in size by a famous Italian artist, was defaced, Mr. Alexander, undertook the delicate work of restoration, and completed it in 12 days.

An aggregate of 10,000 miles was travelled by the bride, bridegroom, and the best man who took part in a wedding at Bath. The bridegroom was Mr. Henry Doel, only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Doel, of Bath, who travelled from the Panama. Miss Teresa Margaret Hirl, the bride, only daughter of Edmund Jacques Hirl, an American book publisher, came from Richfield, New Jersey. The best man, Mr. E. E. Harman, who travelled from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, was formerly manager of the Hudson Bay Company at Lac St. Anne. The bride only reached Southampton a few hours before the ceremony, and arrived in Bath at three o'clock in the morning. The wedding took place at St. Saviour's, only three besides the parties, the best man and one bridesmaid, being present. The honeymoon is being spent in London and Paris, after which Mr. and Mrs. Doel will return to Colon, Central America.

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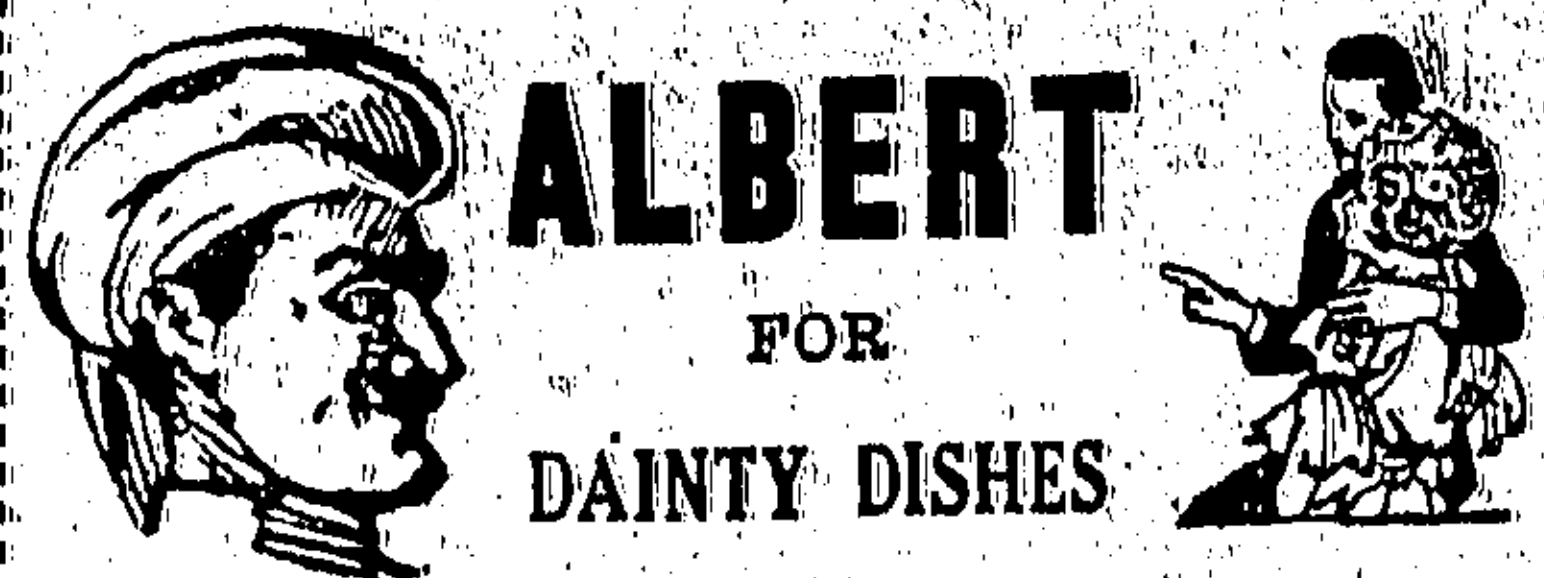
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### BATTLE IMMINENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, March 26.  
It is reported that Li Ching-  
lin's armoured train, manned by  
White Russians, came into con-  
tact with Kuominchun forces at  
An Ting. Some fighting took  
place this morning.  
Kuominchun reinforcements are  
proceeding to An Ting from Feng  
Tai.

Capital Cut Off.

Tientsin, March 27.  
A battle is expected shortly near  
Huang Tsun where rails have been  
torn up. Thus, railway com-  
munication with the Capital is  
again stopped.

A strong force of Kuominchun  
troops, believed to be the remnants  
of the Third Army, are holding  
Huang Tsun, while the "Allies"  
have sent armoured trains manned  
by Russians and troop trains  
carrying Russians and Chinese up  
the line. Many others are proceed-  
ing by road.

### ANTI-FASCISTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Rome, March 27.

The new law against political re-  
fugees is applied to the case of the  
ex-Socialist deputies Antonio  
Vucifera, residing at New York  
and Angelo Tonello, living at  
Lugano.

The former is deprived of rights  
of Italian citizenship and his prop-  
erty confiscated for alleged sys-  
tematic vilification of Italy in the  
United States while Tonello loses  
his rights of citizenship and his  
property is sequestered for two  
years for allegedly conducting a  
venomous campaign against  
Fascism.

### MANY LENGTHS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 27.

Fine weather graced the boat  
race, witnessed by a huge crowd.  
Oxford won the toss and chose  
the Surrey side.

Cambridge won easily.  
Later,  
Cambridge won by many  
lengths, the official time being  
19 min. 29 sec.

### ALLIANCE TREATY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bucharest, March 27.

A treaty of alliance between  
Rumania and Poland has been  
signed.

### NEW TAXES.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, March 27.

In the Chamber of Deputies,  
the Finance Committee agreed to  
new taxation yielding an estimate  
of 1,380,000,000 francs, in-  
cluding profits of a tax from the  
conveyance of real property, in-  
creased tax on the sale of busi-  
nesses and doubling the turnover  
from a tax on firms whose figures  
exceed a million francs.

It is understood that the  
Finance Minister, M. Peret, is  
willing to accept a compromise on  
the proposal to make up the re-  
maining deficit of over a milliard  
francs by a general turnover tax  
exclusively confined to whole-  
salers and middlemen.

(Havas Agency.)

The newspapers underline the  
importance of endeavours at con-  
ciliation and the development of  
an easier tendency.

Parliamentary circles foresee  
that a rational issue will interfere  
to-day, assuring a majority to the  
Government.

### LABOUR WINS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, March 27.

In the Bothwell Parliamentary  
by-election, Mr. Joseph Sullivan  
(Labour) headed the poll with  
14,830 votes. Mr. A. C. Mackay,  
K.C. (Conservative), was next  
with 8,440 and Mr. Ernest Young  
(Liberal) bottom with 1,276. The  
by-election arose out of the death  
of Mr. John Robertson.

At the last election, Mr.  
Robertson (Labour) beat Mrs.  
H. B. Shaw (Conservative) by  
14,591 to 11,314.

### BROKEN DOWN.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, March 27.

Negotiations at Mexico City  
between representatives of the  
leading oil companies and the  
Mexican Government with re-  
ference to modification in the  
regulations for the exploitation of  
oil fields have broken down.

Disagreement arose owing to  
the oil representatives' inability  
to accept clauses concerning lands  
held before 1917. It is expected  
that the Government will now  
promulgate regulations and pro-  
mise to meet the companies' ob-  
jection in subsequent negotia-  
tions.

### CHILE'S AFFAIRS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Santiago, March 27.

Serious complications have  
arisen between the American and  
Chilean members of the plebiscite  
commission. The Chileans claim  
that they accepted the good offices  
of the United States on condition  
that their plebiscite activities  
should remain undisturbed while  
the Americans demand complete  
suspension thereof.

### JAPAN'S STUDENTS.

SCHEME TO SEND 100 TO  
UNITED STATES.

Tokyo, March 18.

The Seijo Gakuen, a secondary  
school under the management of  
Mr. Sawayama, Doctor of Litera-  
ture, taking advantage of two  
months' summer vacation of this  
year, has in contemplation a plan  
to send to America some 100 boy  
and girl students of the school who  
are under 20 years of age, for  
the study and observation of  
various matters in that country.

The public is expecting much  
from this scheme as a factor to  
promote friendly relations between  
the two countries. It is said that  
in future applicants will be raised  
from throughout the country.  
"Eastern News Agency."

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John.

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Straits	5.30 a.m.	Tilawa
Manila	6.30 a.m.	Empress of Russia
Shanghai	7.30 a.m.	Andre Lebon
Straits	8.30 a.m.	Kamsang
Saigon	9.30 a.m.	Amboise
	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31.	
Suez via Straits	5.30 a.m.	Patroclos
Japan	6.30 a.m.	Lion
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	THURSDAY, APRIL 1.	
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Straits	6.30 a.m.	Trollos
Shanghai	7.30 a.m.	Sarpedon
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#### ANNUAL MEETING.

THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held on MONDAY, 29th March, 1926, in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., at 5.30 p.m., to pass and adopt the Accounts for the year, 1925 and to elect Officers, etc.

Will anyone willing to join the committee or take office please send their names to the undersigned.  
D. L. FROST,  
President & Hon. Secretary.  
Hongkong, March 22, 1926.

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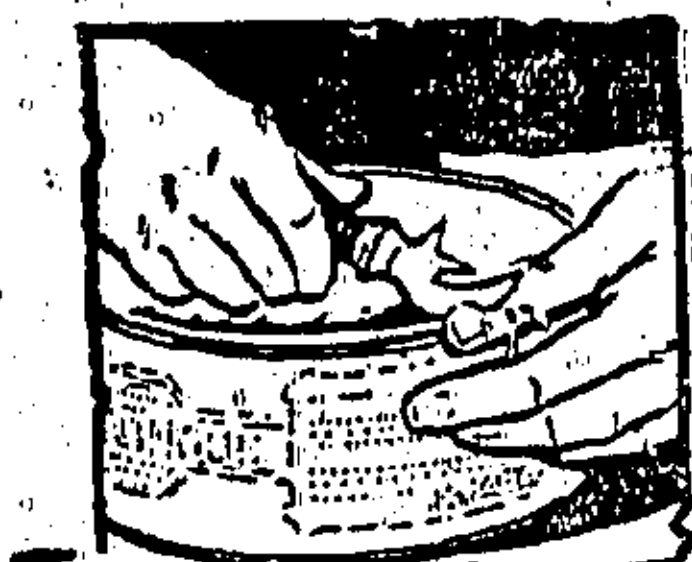
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